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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE Caribou-Targhee National Forest

Occupancy and Use

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR §261.50 (a) the following acts are prohibited within the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, until further notice:

1. Possessing, storing, or transporting any aquatic invasive species as defined by Idaho Administrative Code 02.06.09 (800) [36 CFR §261.58(s)].

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR §261.50 (e) the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED:

The area within the boundaries of the Caribou-Targhee National Forest

PURPOSE:

The purpose for this closure is to protect the National Forest System from damage caused by aquatic invasive species, and to cooperate with Idaho Department of Agriculture (Forest Service Manual 2900).

Aquatic invasive species, such as quagga /zebra mussels and Eurasian water milfoil, are major threats to natural systems and human infrastructure. These species jeopardize power and water facilities, damage ecosystems, and impair recreation.

DEFINITIONS:

"Invasive species" means species not native to Idaho, including their seeds, eggs, spores, larvae or other biological material capable of propagation, that cause economic or environmental harm and are capable of spreading in the state. "Invasive species" does not

include crops, improved forage grasses, domestic livestock, or other beneficial nonnative organisms. I.C. 22-1904.

Other terms are defined in accordance with 36 CFR §261.2.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
- 2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC §551, Title 18 USC §3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC §3581 (b)(7)].
- 3. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at __Idaho Falls, Idaho, this _4th __day of June, 2012.

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